

**Introduced by Committee on Energy, Utilities and Communications (Senators Escutia (Chair), Alarcon, Battin, Bowen, Cox, Dunn, Dutton, Kehoe, Murray, and Simitian)**

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An act to amend Section 53115.1 of the Government Code, relating to emergency service.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

SB 1840, as introduced, Committee on Energy, Utilities and Communications. Telecommunications: State 911 Advisory Board.

Existing law establishes in state government the State 911 Advisory Board, comprised of designated members appointed by the Governor, with the duty of advising the Telecommunications Division of the Department of General Services on matters related to the California 911 emergency telephone system.

This bill would, notwithstanding any other provision of law, authorize any member of the advisory board to designate a person to act as that member in his or her place and stead for all purposes, as though the member were personally present.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: no. State-mandated local program: no.

*The people of the State of California do enact as follows:*

- 1 SECTION 1. Section 53115.1 of the Government Code is
- 2 amended to read:
- 3 53115.1. (a) There is in state government the State 911
- 4 Advisory Board.

(b) The advisory board shall be comprised of the following members appointed by the Governor who shall serve at the pleasure of the Governor.

(1) The Chief of the California 911 Emergency Communications Office shall serve as the nonvoting chair of the board.

(2) One representative from the Department of the California Highway Patrol.

(3) Two representatives on the recommendation of the California Police Chiefs Association.

(4) Two representatives on the recommendation of the California State Sheriffs' Association.

(5) Two representatives on the recommendation of the California Fire Chiefs Association.

(6) Two representatives on the recommendation of the CalNENA Executive Board.

(7) One representative on the joint recommendation of the executive boards of the state chapters of the Association of Public-Safety Communications Officials-International, Inc.

(c) Recommending authorities shall give great weight and consideration to the knowledge, training, and expertise of the appointee with respect to their experience within the California 911 system. Board members should have at least two years of experience as a Public Safety Answering Point (PSAP) manager or county coordinator, except where a specific person is designated as a member.

(d) Members of the advisory board shall serve at the pleasure of the Governor, but may not serve more than two consecutive two-year terms, except as follows:

(1) The presiding Chief of the California 911 Emergency Communications Office shall serve for the duration of his or her tenure.

(2) Four of the members shall serve an initial term of three years.

(e) Advisory board members shall not receive compensation for their service on the board, but may be reimbursed for travel and per diem for time spent in attending meetings of the board.

(f) The advisory board shall meet quarterly in public sessions in accordance with the Bagley-Keene Open Meeting Act (Article 9 (commencing with Section 11120) of Chapter 2 of Part 1 of

1 Division 3 of Title 2). The Telecommunications Division shall  
2 provide administrative support to the State 911 Advisory Board.  
3 The State 911 Advisory Board, at its first meeting, shall adopt  
4 bylaws and operating procedures consistent with this article and  
5 establish committees as necessary.

6 *(g) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, any member*  
7 *of the advisory board may designate a person to act as that*  
8 *member in his or her place and stead for all purposes, as though*  
9 *the member were personally present.*

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